



Welcome to the November edition of the <u>Charlottetown Amateur Radio Club</u> Newsletter! We'll try to keep you up-to-date with what's happening this month and any future events we're planning or are aware of. This newsletter is automatically distributed to club members, prospective future students who have reached out to us in the last year, and other interested amateur operators in the region. If you do not wish to receive these monthly newsletters, let us know and we can remove you from our distribution list. Alternatively, if you are not included on the mailing list, but would like to receive a copy of our newsletter, please reach out to our secretary.

November Club Meeting - Tuesday night November 5th, Stratford Town Center

Well, it sure is getting cold out there! Thankfully, the Stratford Town Hall is heated. So come on out to our next monthly meeting, which is coming up next Tuesday, November 5th, at 7:00 P.M. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you're a licensed radio operator and would like to become a member, or you're perhaps interested in becoming licensed and would like to find out more about us and the hobby, then please come and join us. We would love to meet you. For anyone who would like to become a member, membership dues are \$30 for those who are not currently members of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC). For RAC members, it's \$20 for the year. Our students and graduates from the 2024 classes are automatically members of the club. Our meetings run from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. (1900-2100) in the Southport room at the Stratford Town Center on Shakespeare Drive. Alongside monthly club reports we usually enjoy an information exchange. Last month, we learned about making physically short 80m/40m inverted V antennas. Stay tuned for this month's topic.

Clock Change - November 3rd at 0200, switch back to Standard Time!, UTC -4
Don't forget that this coming weekend at 2:00 A.M. on Sunday, November 3rd, the clocks are going back one hour (*Spring forward*, *Fall back*). Finally, we'll be getting that hour back we lost in the Spring!

Fall 2024 Class - Sept 5th until early November, Canadian Red Cross, Charlottetown As this latest basic licensing course is drawing to a close, we would like to give a huge thank you to our instructors without whom these courses wouldn't be possible: Brent VY2HF, Bill VY2WM, Joel VY2KW, Ricardo VY2AN, Aaron VY2EK, and Tracey VY2TAZ. And thank you also to all of the assistants who came out to help with the doors.

Review night is scheduled for Monday, November 4th. There will be several possible exam dates to follow shortly after. Anyone who's not currently on the course, but would like to sit the exam, please reach out to Brent VY2HF or the email address at the bottom of this newsletter.

Advanced Study Sessions

We're hopeful that an advanced study group may just be taking place in the spring of 2025. Anyone who'd be interested in joining, please reach out to Bill VY2WM or Brent VY2HF, and indicate whether you would also like a study guide (\$65).

November Monthly Simplex Net

Our monthly simplex net is usually held on the first Monday of the month, hosted by Joel VY2KW. With the review night for the Fall course taking place on Monday, November 4th, (and Joel being an instructor) as well as Remembrance Day falling on the following Monday, we haven't quite decided yet, when this month's simplex net is going to take place. Stay tuned and we will let you know the exact date as soon as we know for sure.

Leonid Meteor Shower - November 16th-17th

This famous meteor shower is taking place this month, with the peak predicted around the 17th. For more information, check out this page.

Meetings and Events Calendar - November

2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Virtual Breakfast 2M nets, 8:00 A.M. (800) on the VE1CRA repeater(s)

4?: 2M Simplex net, at 8:00 P.M. (2000) on 146.550 MHz, hosted by Joel, VY2KW (exact date TBD)

5: Monthly club meeting

6, 13, 20, 27: Wednesday night 2M net at 8:00 P.M. (2000) on the VE1CRA repeater(s)

7, 14, 21, 28: Thursday night HF nets, on 3727 LSB (+/- QRM) at 8:00 P.M. (2000)

10: North American SSB Sprint, 0000-0359 UTC

16-17: ARRL EME Contest, 0000 UTC on Sat through 2359 UTC Sun

16-18: ARRL November SSB Sweepstakes, 2100 UTC Sat through 0259 UTC Mon

23-24: CQ World Wide CW Contest, 0000 UTC Sat through 2359 UTC Sun

Future Events

December 27-28: RAC Winter Contest

January 25-26: Winter Field Day February 7-9: Orlando Hamcation

May 2-3: NEAR-Fest, New Boston, NH

May 16-18: Dayton Hamvention

Help Us Out!

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